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February 19, 2023

By ECF

The Honorable Loretta A. Preska
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Morakinyo Gbeyide,
S1 21 Cr. 609 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

The Government respectfully submits this letter motion to request that the Court accept defendant Morakinyo Gbeyide's guilty plea allocution, made before Magistrate Judge Ona T. Wang on February 10, 2023. The transcript of that proceeding and the text of a proposed order are appended hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Counsel of Record (via ECF)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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- v. - [PROPOSED] ORDER
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MORAKINYO GBEYIDE,
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Defendant. S1 21 Cr. 609 (LAP)
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WHEREAS, with the defendant's consent, his guilty plea allocution was made before United States Magistrate Judge Ona T. Wang on February 10, 2023;

WHEREAS, a transcript of the allocution was made and thereafter was transmitted to the District Court; and

WHEREAS, upon review of that transcript, this Court has determined that the defendant entered the guilty plea knowingly and voluntarily and that there was a factual basis for the guilty plea;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the defendant's guilty plea is accepted.

SO ORDERED:

Dated: New York, New York
February __, 2023

THE HONORABLE LORETTA A. PRESKA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

21 Cr. 609 (OTW)

MORAKINYO GBHEYIDE,

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Defendant.

New York, N.Y.
February 10, 2023
11:00 a.m.

Before:

HON. ONA T. WANG,

Magistrate Judge

APPEARANCES

DAMIAN WILLIAMS

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MATTHEW A. WEINBERG

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NANCY TANG

Attorney for Defendant

The plea is accepted.

SO ORDERED

Loretta A. Preska
LORETTA A. PRESKA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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1 (Case called)

2 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Please state your appearances for
3 the record.

4 MR. WEINBERG: Good morning, your Honor. Matthew
5 Weinberg appearing for the government.

6 THE COURT: Good morning.

7 MS. TANG: Good morning, your Honor. Nancy Tang, of
8 counsel to the Law Office of Jonathan Rosenberg, appearing for
9 Mr. Morakinyo Gbeyide.

10 THE COURT: Can you pronounce Mr. Gbeyide's name again
11 or, Mr. Gbeyide, why don't you tell us.

12 THE DEFENDANT: Morakinyo Gbeyide.

13 THE COURT: Thank you.

14 MR. WEINBERG: This is a signed copy of the plea
15 agreement.

16 THE COURT: Good morning, again. I am Magistrate
17 Judge Wang.

18 Mr. Gbeyide, you can speak and understand English; is
19 that right?

20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, ma'am.

21 THE COURT: I have before me a consent to proceed
22 before a United States Magistrate Judge on a felony plea
23 allocution that you have signed. What this form says is that,
24 knowing that you have a right to have your plea taken by a
25 United States District Judge, you are agreeing to have your